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IMAGERY INFORMATION REPORT

FIRST IDENTIFICATION OF A RESHEF- (SAAR IV-) CLASS
PATROL BOAT IN SOUTH AFRICA (S)

(S/WNINTEL) An Israeli-designed RESHEF- (SAAR IV-) class patrol boat was identified for the first time in South Africa at Durban Port Facilities [redacted] The vessel was observed alongside a pier at a small naval facility on Salisbury Island, which is in the middle of the harbor. One gun was forward and one was aft on the RESHEF; no GABRIEL missile launchers were present.

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(S, [redacted]) The first RESHEF reportedly arrived in South Africa from Israel in October 1977. Two more RESHEFs are to be provided by Israel and approximately 20 will be constructed in South Africa.*

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*USCINCEUR Cable, IN 14192, 26 Oct 77 (SECRET/[redacted])

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